(b) the number of major and medium industries set up in private and public sectors in that State, and

(c) the measures taken by Government to develop Meghalaya industrially?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) No industrial licence could be issued to Meghalaya during the Sixth Plan Period. However, 22 letters of intent as per details given below were issued in Maghalaya.

Year	Letters of Intent
1980	..
1981	11
1982	4
1983	4
1984	2
1985 (up to March) . .	1
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(c) Setting up of industries in a State is primarily the responsibility of the State Govt. concerned. However, the Central Govt. supplements their efforts by providing certain incentives, concessions etc. Entire North Eastern Region (including Meghalaya) has been included in Category 'A' and entrepreneurs setting up industries there are eligible for 25 per cent central subsidy subject to a maximum of Rs. 25 lakhs which has further been enhanced to Rs. 50 lakhs which has further been enhanced to Rs. 50 lakhs w.e.f. 1-4-1985 for setting up electronics industries in Hill districts of Category 'A'. The details of incentives available to entrepreneurs for setting up industries in backward areas are available in the Booklet on 'Incentives for industries in Backward Areas' read with Press Note No. 14|2|83-DBA.I dated 9-4-85 copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

Production and import of Newsprint

2175. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total amount of newsprint produced indigenously during 1984-85 and the amount of newsprint imported during that year;

(b) what are the major schemes for increasing production of newsprint in the country during the Seventh Five Year Plan period; and

(c) by when the country is expected to be self-reliant in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) (a) The production of newsprint in the country during the year 1984-85 was 2,00,547 tonnes and imports were of the order of 2,40,324 tonnes.

(b) and (c) The requirementt of newsprint in the country is met by indigenous production and also by imports. Besides the present installed capacity of 2.80 lakh tonnes, an additional capacity of 7.75 lakh tonnes has been approved by way of Industrial Licences|Letters of Intent and these are under various stages of implementation.

Orders for manufacturing of wagons

2176. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the annual manufacturing capacity of wagon industry in the country, at present;

(b) whether it is a fact that Planning Commission have projected a demand of Four wheeler wagons to the tune of 1,24,000 during the Seventh Five Year Plan;